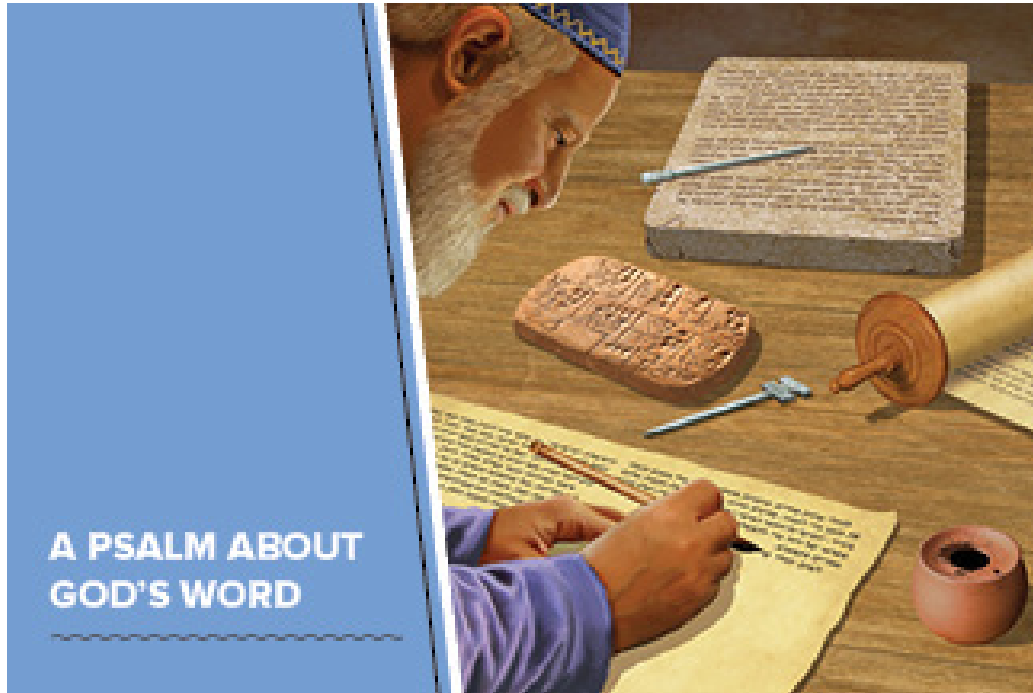




Family Worship Experience

— READ THE SCRIPTURE —



Read Psalm 119 from your Bible or from below.

Psalm 119 is mostly about the law of God and how much the writer cares about it. The psalm helps people know that God's law is a guide to the right way to live. Although some people might think obeying rules is a hard job, the writer of the psalm loved obeying God.

When the psalmist thought about God's law, he felt closer to God than ever. In fact, the law helped him feel closer to God even when he was tempted to do wrong or when someone was treating him badly. The psalmist knew the way to happiness was to obey God's laws. He asked God to help him understand the law and to obey it.

Even when life seemed hard, the writer stayed loyal to God. He considered God's law to be beautiful. He thought about the law. He loved the law. He took delight in the law. He ended the psalm asking again for God to help him obey the law.

Psalm 119 (CSB)



Family Worship Experience

-TALK ABOUT THE SCRIPTURE-

Say : *The Bible is a special book. It is God's message to all people. When we look for a certain passage in the Bible, we find those verses by looking at the Scripture reference. The reference is like an address. It tells us what book the verse is in, what chapter the verse is found in, and finally the verse number.*

Psalm 119 is a unique chapter in the Bible. With 176 verses, it is the longest chapter in the entire Bible. It is arranged in an acrostic poem. Each stanza begins with the next letter of the Hebrew alphabet. The Hebrew alphabet has 22 letters. That is why when you read Psalm 119 in a Bible you see subheadings such as aleph, beth, and gimel. These are letters of the Hebrew alphabet, the language the Old Testament was originally written in.

Psalm 119 is a psalm about God's law. In other words, this chapter of the Bible tells about God's Word, the Bible. The writer of this psalm shares that He loves God's law, even the parts that are challenging and hard.

We have learned there is only one God, and no one is like Him. God's Word has similar characteristics—the Bible is the only written word of God. Unlike other books, the words of the Bible will last forever. They are completely true. The Bible is a special book. It is not like any other book.

Do you love to read and hear God's Word? As we read God's message to us, we should respond by praising God for all He has done. We should also reflect on things we do and see if they are pleasing to the Lord. As we read the Bible, we should find direction on what we should do as believers in Jesus.

Psalm 119:105 says, "Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path." We should praise God for the way God's Word guides us and shows us the way that will bring us closer to Jesus.

Preschool Life Point: The Bible is special and not like any other book.

Kids Life Point: God's Word is forever.

Preschool Review Questions:

1. How did the psalmist feel about God's law?
2. What did the psalmist ask God to do as he read the law?

Elementary Review Questions:

1. Describe how the psalmist felt about God's law.
2. What did the psalmist know to be true about God's law?
3. Do you love reading God's words in the Bible? Why or why not?

Pray: *God, just like the psalmist wrote in Psalm 119, we love Your Word. Thank You for providing us with this special Book. It is unlike anything ever written. Thank You that Your words are true and will last forever. Amen.*



Family Worship Experience

— LEARN SCRIPTURE —

The weekly Bible verse below is focused on at church. Consider talking about what this passage means and memorizing it as well.

PRESCHOOL (paraphrase) : God's Word is true and will last forever.

Psalms 119:160

KIDS: The entirety of your word is truth, each of your righteous judgments endures forever.

Psalms 119:160



Family Worship Experience

— SING —

Sing a *Bible Studies for Life* song or one of your family's favorite worship songs.